

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently amended) A method comprising:
 - a step for conveying electronic digital data in a first protected transfer to deliver a permit;
 - a step for conveying electronic digital data in a second protected transfer to deliver a product; and
 - ~~a step for reconciling complete transactions from at least one of incomplete transactions and from events that indicate intentional interference. identified by the permit,~~
wherein each protected transfer comprises a step for receiving a respective request and a step for delivering per the request, receiving being performed by a respective receiving system linked by a respective network link to a respective delivering system, receiving being performed independently of the delivering system, delivering being performed by the respective delivering system in response to, and otherwise independently of, the receiving system and without identifying the delivering system.
4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 3 further comprising:
 - a step for receiving at least two reports during a time period;
 - a step for grouping reports into tuples of related reports;
 - a step for determining whether a particular report is unmatched;
 - a step for determining whether a particular tuple is incomplete; and
 - a step for providing notice of a breach of security in accordance with at least one of whether the particular report is unmatched and whether the particular tuple is incomplete.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein the ~~source comprises a multiple subsystem facility~~ one receiving system performs for both respective receiving systems.
7. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[6]]~~ 3 wherein ~~the indicia of identification of the source identifies the multiple subsystem facility~~ delivering per the request comprises a step for delivering via a public network without a firewall between the respective delivering system and the public network.

8. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[6]]~~ 3 wherein ~~the multiple subsystem facility comprises:~~

a first ~~subsystem for conveying~~ delivering system conveys the permit responsive to a public network link to the respective receiving system; and

a second ~~subsystem for conveying the portion of the electronic digital data~~ delivering system conveys the product responsive to a public network link to the respective receiving system; and

~~a private network coupling the first subsystem to the second subsystem.~~

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein a portion of the permit is encrypted.

12. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein the request for the ~~electronic digital data~~ product comprises at least a portion of the permit.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein ~~the consumer subsystem comprises a browser that initiates the request for the permit and the request for the electronic digital data product~~ each respective request is received via a public network link.

16. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein the ~~electronic digital data~~ product comprises at least one of a digital work, a file, an audio recording, a video recording, an executable program, a document, a multimedia program, and content.

17. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein the step for conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data~~ product comprises a step for downloading the ~~electronic digital data~~ product in entirety.

18. (Currently amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 3 wherein the step for conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data~~ product comprises a step for streaming the ~~electronic digital data~~ product.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[5]] 3 wherein the step for conveying the permit comprises:

a step for detecting a prerequisite event, the event being at least one of receiving ~~the first~~ a notice that payment for the permit has been assured by a provided process, assuring being in response to receiving by the process a request for the permit from a consumer subsystem and determining a network address of the consumer subsystem; and

a step for conveying electronic digital data across an interface and from a port in accordance with a protocol that denies entry into a state for transferring electronic digital data of the permit unless the event is detected.

24. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[5]] 3 wherein the step for conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data~~ product comprises:

a step for detecting a prerequisite event, the event being at least one of receiving ~~the second~~ a notice, receiving at least a portion of the permit, receiving a key for encrypting the ~~portion of the electronic digital data~~ product, and determining a network address ~~of the consumer subsystem~~ for delivering the product; and

a step for conveying electronic digital data across an interface and from a port in accordance with a protocol that denies entry into a state for transferring electronic digital data of the product unless the event is detected.

25. (Currently amended) A system comprising:

means for conveying electronic digital data in a first protected transfer to deliver a permit;

means for conveying electronic digital data in a second protected transfer to deliver a product; and

~~means for reconciling complete transactions from at least one of incomplete transactions and from events that indicate intentional interference.~~ identified by the permit, wherein each protected transfer comprises receiving a respective request and delivering per the request, receiving being performed by a respective means for receiving linked by a respective network link to a respective means for delivering, receiving being performed independently of delivering, delivering being performed by the respective means for delivering in response to, and otherwise independently of, receiving and without identifying the means for delivering.

26. (Currently amended) The system of claim 25 further comprising:

second means for receiving at least two reports during a time period;

means for grouping reports into tuples of related reports;

means for determining whether a particular report is unmatched;

means for determining whether a particular tuple is incomplete; and

means for providing notice of a breach of security in accordance with at least one of whether the particular report is unmatched and whether the particular tuple is incomplete.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the source comprises a multiple subsystem facility one means for receiving performs for both respective means for receiving.

29. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[28]] 25 wherein the indicia of identity of the source comprises indicia of identity of the multiple subsystem facility delivering per the request comprises delivering via a public network without a firewall between the respective means for delivering and the public network.

30. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[28]] 25 wherein the multiple subsystem facility comprises:

a first subsystem for conveying means for delivering conveys the permit responsive to a public network link to the respective means for receiving; and

a second subsystem for conveying the portion of the electronic digital data means for delivering conveys the product responsive to a public network link to the respective means for receiving; and

a private network coupling the first subsystem to the second subsystem.

31. (Cancelled)

32. (Cancelled)

33. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein a portion of the permit is encrypted.

34. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the request for the electronic digital data product comprises at least a portion of the permit.

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein ~~the consumer subsystem comprises a browser that initiates the request for the permit and the request for the electronic digital data product~~ each respective request is received via a public network link.

38. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the ~~electronic digital data product~~ comprises at least one of a digital work, a file, an audio recording, a video recording, an executable program, a document, a multimedia program, and content.

39. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the means for conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data product~~ comprises means for downloading the ~~electronic digital data product~~ in entirety.

40. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the means for conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data product~~ comprises means for streaming the ~~electronic digital data product~~.

41. (Cancelled)

42. (Cancelled)

43. (Cancelled)

44. (Cancelled)

45. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the means for conveying the permit comprises:

means for detecting a prerequisite event, the event being at least one of receiving ~~the first~~ a notice that payment for the permit has been assured by a provided process, assuring being in response to receiving by the process a request for the permit from a consumer subsystem and determining a network address of the consumer subsystem; and

means for conveying electronic digital data across an interface and from a port in accordance with a protocol that denies entry into a state for transferring electronic digital data of the permit unless the event is detected.

46. (Currently amended) The system of claim [[27]] 25 wherein the means for conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data product~~ comprises:

means for detecting a prerequisite event, the event being at least one of receiving ~~the second~~ a notice, receiving at least a portion of the permit, receiving a key for encrypting the portion of the electronic digital data product, and determining a network address of the consumer subsystem for delivering the product; and

means for conveying electronic digital data across an interface and from a port in accordance with a protocol that denies entry into a state for transferring electronic digital data of the product unless the event is detected.

47. (Currently amended) A method for reducing the risk of unauthorized access to an electronic digital data product, the method comprising:

conveying electronic digital data in a first protected transfer to deliver a permit;
conveying electronic digital data in a second protected transfer to deliver a

product; and

~~reconciling complete transactions from at least one of incomplete transactions and from events that indicate intentional interference.~~ identified by the permit, wherein each protected transfer comprises receiving a respective request and delivering per the request, receiving being performed by a respective receiving system linked by a respective network link to a respective delivering system, receiving being performed independently of the delivering system, delivering being performed by the respective delivering system in response to, and otherwise independently of, the receiving system and without identifying the delivering system.

48. (Cancelled)

49. (Cancelled)

50. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[49]] 47 wherein the ~~source comprises a multiple subsystem facility~~ one receiving system performs for both respective receiving systems.

51. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[50]] 47 wherein ~~the indicia of identity of the source comprises indicia of identity of the multiple subsystem facility~~ delivering per the request comprises delivering via a public network without a firewall between the respective delivering system and the public network.

52. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[51]] 47 wherein ~~the multiple subsystem facility comprises:~~

~~a first subsystem for conveying~~ delivering system conveys the permit responsive to a public network link to the respective receiving system; and

~~a second subsystem for conveying the portion of the electronic digital data~~ delivering system conveys the product responsive to a public network link to the respective receiving system; and

~~a private network coupling the first subsystem to the second subsystem.~~

53. (Cancelled)
54. (Cancelled)
55. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[54]] 47 wherein a portion of the permit is encrypted.
56. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[55]] 47 wherein the request for the electronic digital data product comprises at least a portion of the permit.
57. (Cancelled)
58. (Cancelled)
59. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[58]] 47 wherein ~~the consumer subsystem comprises a browser that initiates the request for the permit and the request for the electronic digital data product~~ each respective request is received via a public network link.
60. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[59]] 47 wherein the ~~electronic digital data~~ product comprises at least one of a digital work, a file, an audio recording, a video recording, an executable program, a document, a multimedia program, and content.
61. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[60]] 47 wherein conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data~~ product comprises downloading the ~~electronic digital data~~ product in entirety.
62. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[61]] 47 wherein conveying the ~~portion of the electronic digital data~~ product comprises streaming the ~~electronic digital data~~ product.
63. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[62]] 47 wherein conveying the permit comprises:
- detecting a prerequisite event, the event being at least one of receiving ~~the first a~~ notice that payment for the permit has been assured by a provided process, assuring being in response to receiving by the process a request for the permit from a consumer subsystem and determining a network address of the consumer subsystem; and
- conveying electronic digital data across an interface and from a port in accordance with a protocol that denies entry into a state for transferring electronic digital data of the permit unless the event is detected.
64. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[63]] 47 wherein conveying the portion of the electronic digital data product comprises:

detecting a prerequisite event, the event being at least one of receiving ~~the second~~
~~a notice~~, receiving at least a portion of the permit, receiving a key for encrypting the ~~portion of~~
~~the electronic digital data product~~, and determining a network address ~~of the consumer~~
~~subsystem~~ for delivering the product; and

conveying electronic digital data across an interface and from a port in accordance
with a protocol that denies entry into a state for transferring electronic digital data of the
electronic digital data product unless the event is detected.

65. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[64]] 47 further comprising:

receiving at least two reports during a time period;

grouping reports into tuples of related reports;

determining whether a particular report is unmatched;

determining whether a particular tuple is incomplete; and

providing notice of a breach of security in accordance with at least one of whether
the particular report is unmatched and whether the particular tuple is incomplete.

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86. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

a step for conveying electronic digital data in a first ~~protected~~ transfer to deliver a permit; and

a step for conveying electronic digital data in a second ~~protected~~ transfer to deliver a product;

a step for receiving a plurality of reports comprising reports transmitted in response to requests for permits and reports transmitted in response to attempted accesses of products; and

a step for identifying, as indicated by a set of reports of the plurality, at least one of incomplete transactions and events that indicate unauthorized attempted access, wherein each complete transaction comprises delivery of a product specified in a delivered permit.

87. (Currently amended) A system comprising:

means for conveying electronic digital data in a first ~~protected~~ transfer to deliver a permit; and

means for conveying electronic digital data in a second ~~protected~~ transfer to deliver a product;

means for receiving a plurality of reports comprising reports transmitted in response to requests for permits and reports transmitted in response to attempted accesses of products; and

means for identifying, as indicated by a set of reports of the plurality, at least one of incomplete transactions and events that indicate unauthorized attempted access, wherein each complete transaction comprises delivery of a product specified in a delivered permit.

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